than 7 years with fine which may extend to Rs. 2000/- and if the offence is committed against the will of any person the punishment of imprisonment may extend upto 14 years. In case the offence is committed against a child, punishment shall be not less than 7 years and may extend to life. In case of a minor punishment provided is not less than 7 years and not more than 14 years. Besides the punishment under law depends on the sensitivity and judiciousness with which each case is handled by police and the judiciary.

(c) The Department of Women and Child Developpment has formulated a National Plan of Action to Combat Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Women and Children which focuses on Prevention of Trafficking, Awareness Generation and Social Mobilisation, Health Care Services, Education and Child Care, Housing, Shelter and Civic Amenities, Economic Empowerment, Legal Reforms & Law Enforcement, Rescue and Rehabilitation, Institutional Machinery and Methodology.

Minority Institutions

†2162. SHRI ABHAY KANT PRASAD: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of minority institutions (Technical and Non-Technical) working in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether financial assistance and other facilities are being provided by Government to these minority institutions; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. VALLABHBHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

CAG's Observation on function of CSWB

2163. SHRIMATI BIMBARAIKAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the recent report of the Comptroller and Auditor General

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.